REMARKS

Request for Reconsideration

Applicants have carefully considered the matters raised by the Examiner in the outstanding Office Action but remain of the opinion that patentable subject matter is present. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Examiner's position based on the above amendments to the claims and the following remarks.

Claims Status

Claims 1-64, 77-84 and 87-94 had been indicated as allowed and are the only claims currently pending in this Application as a result of the present amendment.

Claims 65-76, 85-86 and 95-96 had been rejected in the Office Action and have been canceled herein.

In light of the indication of the allowability of the subject matter to the claims currently on file, it is submitted that the Application is in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the Application is in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

Should any extensions of time or fees be necessary in order to maintain this Application in pending condition, appropriate requests are hereby made and authorization is given to debit Account No. 02-2275.

Respectfully submitted,

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